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# THE INDEPENDENT

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COLLEGEVILLE, MONTG. CO., PA.

E. S. MOSER, EDITOR AND PROPRIETOR.

THURSDAY, JUNE 19, 1902.

While the strike continues in the anthracite coal region coal consumers are wondering what may happen next winter.

The editor of the INDEPENDENT bows and returns sincere thanks to numerous contemporaries for expressions of kindness and good-will, since the beginning of volume twenty-eight.

PRESIDENT ROOSEVELT's plea for Cuba will be remembered when the politicians and statesmen, now arrayed on the side of governmental favors for the few, are everlastingly forgotten.

The sugar beet growers still clutch tightly Uncle Sam's throat, notwithstanding President Roosevelt's heroic appeal for reciprocity for Cuba. Having fostered them, it is only natural that they should expect, as well as demand a continuation of Uncle Sam's protecting, fattening care.

The political card of Benjamin F. Penrose, of Cheltenham, Republican candidate for Commissioner, will be noticed in another column. As heretofore observed in the INDEPENDENT, Mr. Penrose is the right man for the position to which he aspires. He is level-headed, straightforward, capable, and a man of excellent character.

The pension roll at the end of the last fiscal year included more names by 4,206 than at the corresponding date the year before, says Bradstreet's. The list included 907,735 names on July 1, last. There were added to the rolls during the year the names of 44,225 new pensioners, while those of 3,567 were renewed and restored. In all, 43,586 names were dropped, of which 33,152 were in consequence of death. As a result of the war with Spain 5,604 names were added. The total amount disbursed was \$131,563,216.

The Pennsylvania and New York Central Railroad Companies inaugurated a race of trains, Sunday, between New York and Chicago. The west-bound Pennsylvania special, which left New York at 2 P. M. Sunday and Germantown Junction at 3.44 P. M., steamed into Chicago Monday at 8.52 A. M., just three minutes ahead of its schedule, covering the distance of 912 miles in nineteen hours and fifty-seven minutes. It was a dead heat, in the parlance of turfmen, and reduced the schedule time, between New York and Chicago, four hours and three minutes. A marvelous exhibition of Twentieth century railroading.

The Republican Congressional Convention held at Quakertown, Monday, renominated Hon. Irving P. Wanger by acclamation. There was no opposition within sight or hearing. Now, therefore, the voters of Bucks and Montgomery counties will in due season cast their ballots for Mr. Wanger or—the Democratic nominee, whoever he may be. If the Independents should pull themselves together and determine to make a grab for a Congressional scalp an increase in the assortment of candidates will add variety to the contest and afford electors increased opportunities. In the present phase of the political moon, as to Congressional aspirants in this district, it is an easy undertaking to figure out Mr. Wanger's re-election. A large majority of the voters of Bucks and Montgomery continue to worship at the protective tariff shrine and pay homage to an economic system that in its general application breeds trusts, throttles normal competition, and bestows lavish benefits upon the few at the cost of the many. True, a portion of the majority referred to, are beginning to seriously question the inherent righteousness of their doctrine and practice, but they will be likely to cling to their idol, by sheer force of habit, a little while longer and—vote for Mr. Wanger! Our Congressman surely must have been ushered into being under a lucky star, with not a single ominous sign within the range of vision.

The Republican State ticket as framed at Harrisburg, last week: For Governor—Judge Samuel W. Pennypacker, of Philadelphia. Lieutenant Governor—Wm. M. Brown, of New Castle. Secretary of Internal Affairs—Isaac B. Brown, of Erie. Attorney-General John P. Elkin, made a most gallant effort for the nomination for Governor. From a Republican point of view, unbiased by factional influence, and supported by considerations of prudence and foresight, the nomination of Judge Pennypacker for Governor cannot be too vigorously endorsed. The record of his life thus far is an uninterrupted epitome of integrity, judicial fairness, and of evidences of strong moral and intellectual characteristics. If Judge Pennypacker is not good enough and wise enough to meet the requirements of Republican voters they must indeed be exceedingly hard to please. His persistent individuality, his devotion to correct principles of human action, in all the past years of his life, constitute a sufficient guarantee that he will, if elected, administer Gubernatorial affairs with strict fidelity to the great trust imposed upon him. We do not believe that strong men can be swayed from the path of duty by the blandishments of their fellow men, nor the temptations that surround official life. That's exactly what we think of Judge Pennypacker. If the Republican party throughout the State will do equally as well in nominating candidates for the House of Representatives and the Senate, as they have done in naming a nominee for Governor, it will be strikingly in evidence that amends are to be made for at least some of the pernicious errors and shortcomings of the past.

## WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 12, 1902. The Nicaraguan canal bill is still the "unfinished business" in the Senate, a number of able addresses having been made in favor of each of the proposed routes, but the final vote will be taken one week from to-day. During the "morning hour" the Senate has considered and passed the Naval Appropriation bill which provides for the construction of two battle-ships, two armored cruisers, two gun-boats and five sub-marine torpedo boats of the Holland type. The provision

of the House, that the Secretary of the Navy be instructed to build at least one boat of each class in a government navy yard was stricken out by the Senate. The total appropriation amounts to slightly over \$78,000,000. The Cuban reciprocity bill is still in committee and the friends and opponents of the measure are each claiming victory. The President has stated in unequivocal terms that he will not accept a measure which provides for a rebate and there is a rumor that the matter will end with the appointment of a Congressional Committee to go to Cuba and investigate conditions there preparatory to legis-

lation at the next session. The friends of the measure say that this is simply a ruse of the opponents of the measure and will be rejected, but the disclosure of the fact that the expenses of the reciprocity propaganda had been shared by the Sugar Trust to the extent of at least \$2,500 is proving a serious obstacle to the bill.

On Monday the House passed the bill for the Protection of the President. This was a substitute for the Senate bill and differs from it materially. It abolishes the provision for a body-guard for the President and legislates against the teaching and even the adherence to an archaic principle. Any person who believes that there shall be no organized form of government is prohibited by the measure from entering the United States and any persons holding such an opinion shall be liable to fine and imprisonment. The death penalty is provided for the murder of the President, any ambassador or foreign ruler, and severe punishment is provided for assault, with or without intent to kill, on the President or any ruler when performing his official duties. All the provisions which apply to the President also apply to those officers who by law may succeed to the presidency.

On Tuesday the House defeated the Lacey bill providing for the transfer of the supervision of the forest reserves from the Department of the Interior to the Department of Agriculture. Representative Cannon of Illinois made a vigorous speech against the bill assuming that it meant increased expense of administration, an assumption which does not seem to have been warranted. Representative Lacey, Wadsworth, and other members believe that the letters and petitions of office-holders now in the employ of the Interior Department prevented the passage of the bill, which was warmly advocated by the President.

Upon the disposal of the Lacey bill the House took up the Pacific cable bill under a rule which made any substitute bill germane. Representative Dalzell desired to offer a substitute for Mr. Corliss' bill which provided for government ownership of the cable, but on Wednesday evening the House defeated the Corliss measure by a vote to strike out the enacting clause. This means no Pacific cable legislation this year. The House will now turn its attention to the Irrigation bill which it is believed will pass with comparatively little opposition. On Wednesday, June 18th., the House will take up the Philippine bill and by the provisions of the rule will devote one week to its debate.

I received recently a strong, though perhaps inadvertent, testimonial in support of civil service reform from Mr. William A. Jones, Commissioner of Indian Affairs. Secretary of Agriculture Wilson called my attention to the fact that his department was being criticised by certain Western breeders' associations because grade bulls were being furnished to the Indians for breeding purposes. The Secretary stated that his department had nothing to do with the matter as it was entirely under the jurisdiction of Mr. Jones who was himself an officer of the Department of the Interior. Later I saw Mr. Jones who told me that practically all the onus of maladministration of Indian affairs was due to politics. He cited an instance wherein he had, desiring to insure first class cattle for the "Nation's wards," secured the services of an expert from the Secretary of Agriculture to inspect a herd of cattle. The lot, which comprised 100 bulls and 5,000 cows, were the most satisfactory Mr. Jones ever secured and he wished to avail himself of the services of the same expert when purchasing a subsequent lot but a Western Senator interfered and insisted that one of his constituents be selected to make the inspection. The Senator refused to guarantee that the man would be competent to make such an inspection although he "thought" he was, but the place paid \$10 per day and that amount was "not to be lost," notwithstanding that the use of Mr. Wilson's man, who was stationed in the vicinity, would cost the government nothing. Mr. Jones stated that such instances were frequent and often resulted in the Indians' failing to get the supplies for which the government paid. Had the Senator been unable to designate the inspector, as would be the case were the inspectors furnished from the classified lists of the Civil Service Commission, the expert's services would have been called into requisition and probably a far better lot of cattle secured for the same money.

On Monday Mrs. Roosevelt sailed on the "Dolphin" for Oyster Bay taking with her all the younger members of the family. She will remain there until after July 4, and will then return to Washington to remain with the President until Congress adjourns and he is able to depart for his summer vacation. The Roosevelt children will remain at Oyster Bay. On the Saturday before her departure Mrs. Roosevelt gave a tea at which she said farewell to her many friends in Washington. During the tea an amusing incident occurred. A young attaché of the German Embassy, whose name I will not mention, and who is noted for his piousness, compliments, on arriving at the White House, said: "We are in der presence of der enemy, der loafly enemy. But we shall not durn our packs. We haf purued our pritches behind us." To which

his hostess laughingly replied, "Under the circumstances I think you would do well to keep your face to the foe."

## DIPLOMA A POOR LEVER TO MOVE WORLD.

Perhaps the greatest handicap of a young college graduate, on entering the world of action, is his unbounded faith in the practical value of his academic education, even though seconded by no great effort on his part. After spending four years in solving theoretical problems, grappling with Greek conjugations and Latin translations, and stuffing his head with ancient and modern history, with facts concerning science, and with many other unrelated branches of knowledge, he feels himself vastly superior to the shrewd, practical man of business who has not the advantage of a college training.

Instead of turning up his sleeves and going to work at the bottom of the ladder in his chosen field—if he has chosen one, or in taking advantage of the first opportunity that offers, if he has not—this over-confident young man, who thinks that the world has been waiting for him to get his diploma, says to himself, "Why should I begin at the bottom of the ladder, or take any opening that presents itself, like a boy who has never been inside of a college? No, I shall wait for a good opportunity and a fitting salary." He feels that he is a Mahomet to whom the mountain must come; and so he flourishes his diploma, and waits.—Orison Sweet Marden, in June Success.

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